

MINUTES OF THE SPELTHORNE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING

At the Annual Meeting of the Borough Council held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Knowle Green, Staines On Thursday 20 May, 2004 at 7.30pm

Amos Mrs P C	Grant Mrs D L	Pinkerton J D
Ayers F	Hirst A P	Ponton Mrs J E
Bain Miss M	Hyams Mrs M	Royer M T
Bhadye S	James P R	Searancke E J
Bouquet M L	Leighton Mrs V J	Sider R W
Ceaser G S	Lorch S B S	Spencer Mrs C L
Chouhan K	Napper Mrs I	Strong C V
Colinson-Crawford R B	O'Hara E	Trussler G F
Culnane E K	Packman J D	Turner Mrs D
Davies F	Paton J M	Weston Mrs P
Forsbrey G E	Pinkerton Mrs J M	Wood-Dow Mrs J M
Fullbrook J M		

128/04 ELECTION OF MAYOR

The retiring Mayor, Councillor G.S. Ceaser, in welcoming all Members and guests to the Annual General Meeting of the Council referred to the meeting as an historic occasion which marked the 30th anniversary of Spelthorne's mayoralty. He referred to previous Mayors and Honorary Aldermen of the Borough Council. He went on to report that it had taken the government 30 years to discover that the Council was an 'Excellent' Council.

He reported that it had been a magnificent year and hoped that he had carried out his duties as the civic leader with both dignity and honour. He referred to many of the functions and interesting people he and his wife had met during the year. He went on to pay tribute to many people including his friends and associates who had given support in raising funds for the Mayors' charities.

Finally the Mayor publicly thanked his wife, Mrs Sandra Ceaser, by presenting her with a gift to express his appreciation in making the Mayoral Year so magnificent and enjoyable.

He extended his very best wishes to his successor, who would become the 31st Mayor of Spelthorne, and hoped that his term in office would be both interesting and rewarding.

It was moved by Councillor R.W. Sider and seconded by Councillor J.M. Paton that Councillor G.F. Trussler be elected Mayor for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

In moving the motion Councillor Sider reported that Councillor Trussler would be dedicated to his duties as Mayor of the Borough. Councillor J.M. Paton in seconding the motion referred to Councillor Trussler's commitment to his duties and felt he would be an excellent ambassador for the Borough.

RESOLVED that Councillor G.F. Trussler be appointed Mayor for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

Councillor G.F. Trussler made the declaration of acceptance of office as Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne and took the Chair. He thanked his proposer and seconder and those who had supported him in his election as Mayor, which he accepted with pride. He presented Councillor G.S. Ceaser with the past Mayor's badge and a scrapbook commemorating his year in office.

The Mayor reported that his Mayor's Charity Fund would be supporting three main charities which were the Arthritis Research Campaign, Spelthorne Good Neighbour Groups and Spelthorne and West Elmbridge Alzheimer's Group, with any remaining funds being given to other deserving causes identified during the Mayoral Year.

129/04 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors I.J. Beardsmore, R.V. D'Sa, H.R. Jaffer, Mrs J.B. Langridge-John and Mr M. Litvak.

130/04 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2004, be approved as a correct record.

131/04 ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

It was moved by Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant and seconded by Councillor Mrs P.C. Amos and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs P. Weston be appointed Deputy Mayor of the Borough of Spelthorne for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

Councillor Mrs P. Weston then made the declaration of acceptance of office as Deputy Mayor of the Borough and thanked her proposer and seconder and the Council for appointing her.

132/04 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

The Mayor reminded Members of the following civic events with full details being obtained from the Mayor's Secretary.

Charity Lunch – 8 August 2004

River Day – 4 September 2004

Golf Day at Ashford Manor Golf Club – 28 September 2004

Concert at Spelthorne Leisure Centre – 17 October 2004

Christmas Music Concert at St Michael's Catholic Church, Ashford – 11 December 2004.

Mayor's Ball – 28 April 2005

The Mayor invited the Leader of the Council, Councillor Davies, to inform members of the matter concerning the reported delay in the plans for an orthopaedic treatment centre at Ashford Hospital and for members of the council to give an indication of whether the Chief Executive should write to the North Surrey PCT and the local MP requesting confirmation of the situation. The members supported the action outlined by the Leader of the Council.

133/04 ELECTION OF LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

It was moved by Councillor J.D. Packman and seconded by Councillor E.J. Searancke and

RESOLVED that Councillor F. Davies be appointed Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor G.E. Forsbrey and

RESOLVED that Councillor J.D. Packman be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

134/04 APPOINTMENT OF THE EXECUTIVE

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED:

- (a) That an Executive of 6 members be appointed comprising the Leader and the Deputy Leader of the Council and Councillors G.E. Forsbrey, Mrs D.L. Grant, E. O'Hara and E.J. Searancke, with the terms of reference and functions set out in Part 3 (a) of the Council's Constitution; and
- (b) that the members of the Executive hold the following portfolios:

Community Safety and Community Liaison	Councillor J.D. Packman
Adult and Elderly Services	Councillor E. O'Hara
Children and Young People Services	Councillor Mrs. D.L. Grant
Environment and Planning	Councillor G.E. Forsbrey
Corporate Services	Councillor E.J. Searancke

135/04 ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES, ALLOCATION OF SEATS AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

Details of the proposed committees, their size, the political allocation of seats and the members to serve on them had been circulated as **Appendix A** to all members of the Council.

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Council appoint the six committees indicated in **Appendix A** with the terms of reference and functions as set out in Part 3 (a) of the Council's Constitution and that the political allocation of seats and the Members serving on committees be as shown on **Appendix A**; and
- (b) That Mr M. Litvak and Mr C. Tamlyn be appointed as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of the Standards Committee.

136/04 CHAIRMEN OF AREA FORUMS

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that the Chairmen of the five Area Forums for the Municipal Year 2004/2005 be appointed as follows:

Ashford	Councillor F. Ayers
Shepperton	Councillor R.W. Sider
Staines and Laleham	Councillor A.P. Hirst
Stanwell and Stanwell Moor	Councillor Mrs C.L. Spencer
Sunbury	Councillor G.S. Ceaser

137/04 DISCRETIONARY HOUSING PAYMENTS REVIEW BOARD

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that all Members of the Council other than those appointed to the Executive be appointed to form a Panel from which Discretionary Housing Payments Review Boards could be drawn, as necessary.

138/04 APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL TO OUSIDE BODIES

(a) South West Middlesex Crematorium Board

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs D.L. Grant be appointed as the Council's representative and Councillor A.P. Hirst be appointed as deputy to serve on the South West Middlesex Crematorium Board.

(b) Surrey County Districts Film Licensing Joint Committee

It was moved by Councillor F. Davies and seconded by Councillor J.D. Packman and

RESOLVED that Councillors Mrs D.L. Grant and Mrs J.M. Wood-Dow be appointed as the Council's representatives to serve on the Surrey County Districts Film Licensing Joint Committee.

IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

20 MAY, 2004

Present:

Miss M. Bain	Mrs M. Hyams	M.T. Royer
R.B. Colison-Crawford	P.R. James	Mrs. D. Turner
J.M. Fullbrook	Mrs VJ. Leighton	Mrs. P. Weston
A.P. Hirst	Mrs J.M. Pinkerton	Mrs. J.M. Wood-Dow

APOLOGIES: Councillors R.V. D'Sa, H.R. Jaffer and Mrs J.B. Langridge-John

139/04 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor A.P. Hirst be appointed Chairman of the Improvement and Development Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

140/04 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2004 be approved as a correct record.

141/04 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor H.R. Jaffer be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Improvement and Development Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

LICENSING COMMITTEE

20 MAY, 2004

Present:

Mrs P.C. Amos

Mrs V. Leighton

M.T. Royer

F. Ayers

Mrs I. Napper

R.W. Sider

F. Davies

J.M. Paton

C.V. Strong

A.P. Hirst

J.D. Pinkerton

Mrs D. Turner

Mrs M. Hyams

Mrs J.E. Ponton

Mrs P. Weston

142/04 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor R.W. Sider be appointed Chairman of the Licensing Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

143/04 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2004 be approved as a correct record.

144/04 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor J.M. Paton be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT AND REVIEW COMMITTEE

20 MAY 2004

Present:

Mrs. P.C. Amos

E.K. Culnane

J.D. Pinkerton

F. Ayers

A.P. Hirst

Mrs. J.E. Ponton

Miss. M. Bain

P.R. James

Mrs. C.L. Spencer

S. Bhadye

Mrs. I. Napper

Mrs J.M. Wood-Dow

M.L. Bouquet

APOLOGIES: Councillor R.V. D'Sa

145/04 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor F. Ayers be appointed Chairman of the Performance Management and Review Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.

146/04 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 March 2004 be approved as a correct record.

147/04 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs I. Napper be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Performance Management and Review Committee for the Municipal Year 2004/2005.